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SUBJECT: NO JAIL TIME FOR HUSSEIN AIDEED: SAFELY IN DUBAI

On November 20, a report appeared on the Somali website [www.markacadeey.com](http://www.markacadeey.com), claiming that Eritrean officials had arrested exiled Member of Parliament, and U.S. Citizen, Hussein Mohammad Farah Aideed. The report alleged that the Eritreans had arrested Aideed because he was spying for the United States and for Ethiopia. Skeptical of the report because Aideed was known to have departed Eritrea prior to Eid al Fitr, Poloff asked Jama Ali Jama and Mohammad Sheikh, two exiled Somali Members of Parliament present in Asmara, whether they could confirm Aideed's whereabouts. Both dismissed the claim and assured Poloff that Aideed has been residing in Dubai since leaving Eritrea the first week of October.  
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